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1. LAGOS ANTI-APARTHEID CONFERENCE--

IN CLOSED MEETING, THE COMITE AGAINST APARTHEID AGREED TO INVITE TO THE LAGOS ANTI-APARTHEID CONFERENCE THE COMITE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE. CHAIRMAN HARRIMAN (NIGERIA) ABSENTED HIMSELF DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE INVITATION. ISRAELIS, WHO CONSIDER THIS DECISION DOES NOT AUGUR WELL FOR THE CONFERENCE, RECALLED THAT THE WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS HAD NOT BEEN INVITED.

PRIOR TO THE COMITE'S DECISION, ISRAELI PERM REP HERZOG EXPRESSED CONCERN TO AMB LEONARD OVER POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENTS AT THE LAGOS CONFERENCE. HE NOTED TWO RECENT NIGERIA TIMES' ARTICLES AND ALSO MENTIONED HIS APPREHENSION THAT THE REPORT TO BE ISSUED BY THE COMITE AGAINST APARTHEID WOULD CONTAIN NEW EVIDENCE OF ISRAELI RELATIONS WITH SOUTH AFRICA. (CONFIDENTIAL--USUN 2551, 2553)

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2. COMMITTEE AGAINST APARTHEID--

THE COMITE DECIDED AUG. 10 TO LOOK INTO REPORTS THAT SOUTH AFRICA WAS ADVANCING IN ITS NUCLEAR DEVELOPMENT, HAD COMPLETED NUCLEAR WEAPONS, AND WAS NOW TESTING THEM. CHAIRMAN HARRIMAN (NIGERIA) SAID THAT ALL RELEVANT CONFIDENTIAL

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INFORMATION ON THE MATTER WOULD BE PUT BEFORE THE LAGOS CONFERENCE AGAINST APARTHEID, WHICH WOULD GIVE PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO THE SUBJECT OF SOUTH AFRICA'S NUCLEAR DEVELOPMENT AND TO THE AID SOUTH AFRICA WAS RECEIVING FROM CERTAIN STATES IN THAT REGARD.

HARRIMAN REFERRED TO THE JULY 21 TESTIMONY OF HOWARD UNIVERSITY PROF. WALTERS BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON AFRICA OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES REGARDING "SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR POWER DEVELOPMENT: POLITICAL AND STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS." HE ALSO MENTIONED THE JULY 14 TESTIMONY BEFORE THE SAME SUBCOMITE BY NEW YORK STATE UNIVERSITY PROF. GERVASI ON "THE BREAKDOWN OF THE ARMS EMBARGO AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA", IN WHICH GERVASI STATED MILITARY EQUIPMENT ACQUIRED BY SOUTH AFRICA WAS MUCH MORE EXTENSIVE THAN WAS GENERALLY KNOWN, AND THAT SOUTH AFRICA HAD OBTAINED EQUIPMENT ORIGINATING IN THE US, UK AND ITALY. HARRIMAN UNDERSTOOD THAT SOME OF GERVASI'S STATEMENTS HAD BEEN DENIED BY THE US STATE DEPARTMENT. AFTER HE SAID AN URGENT CLARIFICATION WAS IMPORTANT SINCE THE MATTER MIGHT BE BROUGHT UP AT THE LAGOS CONFERENCE, THE COMITE AUTHORIZED HIM TO SEND COPIES OF

THE TESTIMONY TO THE PERM REPS OF THE THREE COUNTRIES CONCERNED FOR THEIR COMMENTS. HE WAS ALSO AUTHORIZED TO SEEK CLARIFICATION FROM FRANCE OF ITS STATEMENT IT WAS ENDING ARMS SALES TO SOUTH AFRICA. GDR, UKRAINE AND SYRIA MENTIONED THE TASS AUG. 8 STATEMENT ABOUT SOUTH AFRICAN TESTS OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, AND ALSO ASSISTANCE GIVEN BY CERTAIN WESTERN STATES AND ISRAEL. SIBEKO (PAC) URGED A MANDATORY ARMS EMBARGO AND OTHER SANCTIONS UNDER CHAPTER VII.

IN OTHER ACTION, CHARLES (HAITI) WAS ELECTED SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN; THE CHAIRMAN REPORTED ON PROGRESS IN ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE LAGOS CONFERENCE; THE WORKING GROUP WAS AUTHORIZED TO COOPERATE WITH THE AFRICAN
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GROUP ON A STUDY OF COLLABORATION BY FOREIGN AND MULTI-NATIONAL COMPANIES AND BANKS WITH SOUTH AFRICA. IT WAS DECIDED TO SEND A STATEMENT OF SUPPORT TO THE AMERICAN COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR EQUALITY IN SPORT AND SOCIETY REGARDING ITS CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE EXCHANGES OF THE US TENNIS ASSOCIATION WITH SOUTH AFRICA, AND TO SEND A LETTER TO THE TENNIS ASSOCIATION ON THE MATTER. THE WORKING GROUP'S PRELIMINARY DRAFT REPORT CONTAINING IDEAS FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL ANTI-APARTHEID YEAR IS TO BE REVISED AND FINALIZED AFTER THE LAGOS CONFERENCE.

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3. COMMITTEE ON TAKING OF HOSTAGES--

THE COMITE CONTINUED GENERAL DEBATE AUG. 10
WITH STATEMENTS BY THE REPRESENTAIVES OF ALGERIA,
SOVIET UNION, VENEZUELA, POLAND, UK, LESOTHO, SURINAM,
TANZANIA AND SYRIA. ALGERIA CONSIDERED THERE WAS A NEED
TO ANALYZE THE UNDERLYING CAUSES MOTIVATING THE TAKING
OF HOSTAGES, TO DEFINE THE WORDS "HOSTAGE" AND "REPRISAL",
AND TO ENSURE THAT ANY CONVENTION DID NOT INTERFERE WITH
THE NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS; AND PERHAPS AN SYG
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STUDY MIGHT BE IN ORDER.

THE SOVIET REPRESENTATIVE STATED THAT THE CAUSES OF
INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM COULD NOT BE IGNORED,
ACTIVITIES OF NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS COULD NOT BE
OPPOSED, AND RIGHTS OF TRADE UNION MEMBERS COULD NOT BE
LIMITED. ANY DRAFT CONVENTION MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT
NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF STATES;
AND STATES WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR TAKING, AT A NATIONAL LEVEL,
THE NECESSARY MEASURES FOR PROTECTING FOREIGN CITIZENS
ON THEIR TERRITORY. POLAND EXPRESSED SIMILAR VIEW AND
SPOKE OF NEED TO DEFINE TERM "HOSTAGE". VENEZUELA
WANTED THE RIGHT OF ASYLUM PRESERVED AND BELIEVED STATES
THEMSELVES MUST CONSIDER INTERNAL MEASURES TO PREVENT
ACTS OF VIOLENCE BEFORE THEY WERE COMMITTED.

THE UK NOTED THAT THE MAJORITY OF SPEAKERS HAD
COMMENDED THE FRG DRAFT, AND SAID THAT THE GA HAD A
"CLEAR" IDEA OF WHAT IS MEANT BY HOSTAGES WHEN IT
ESTABLISHED THE COMMITTEE. LESOTHO HAD NO DIFFICULTY
WITH THE PRINCIPLE OF "EXTRADITE OR PROSECUTE", BUT DE-
FENDED LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. SURINAM WELCOMED THE

CHAIRMAN'S PROPOSAL FOR CONSULTATIONS.

TANZANIA INSISTED THAT THE COMMITTEE MUST INCLUDE THE CAUSES OF HOSTAGE TAKING IN ANY DRAFT CONVENTION; SAID IF THE UNREALISTIC APPROACH OF WANTING TO "LUMP TOGETHER" NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AND FREEDOM FIGHTERS WITH TERRORISTS AND ANARCHISTS CONTINUED, A SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM WOULD NEVER BE FOUND; OPPOSED IMPOSITION OF AUTOMATIC OR MANDATORY EXTRADITION, AND ALSO OPPOSED ANY COMPULSORY DISPUTE SETTLEMENT MECHANISM. SYRIA STRESSED THAT NO CONVEN-

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TION COULD IGNORE NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS; SUGGESTED AN INTERNATIONAL MECHANISM MIGHT BE ENVISAGED TO ENSURE THAT A FAIR TRIAL WAS GIVEN TO ANY OFFENDER; AND SAID THE CONVENTION MUST ADDRESS ITSELF TO STATE TERRORISM.

4. COMMITTEE ON ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION--

THE COMITE AUG. 9 ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS A DECISION WHICH EXPRESSED "GRAVE CONCERN" OVER THE "UN-ACCEPTABLE STATE OF AFFAIRS" IN CYPRUS REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION ON ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND NOTED THAT CYPRUS HAD "BEEN PREVENTED FROM FULFILLING ITS OBLIGATIONS" UNDER THE CONVENTION. AFTER THE DECISION WAS ADOPTED, JACOVIDES (CYPRUS) MADE A STATEMENT DURING WHICH HE DECLARED THAT APPEASEMENT OF AN AGGRESSOR IN ANY PART OF THE WORLD WOULD, IN THE LONG RUN, CONTRIBUTE TO THE BREAKDOWN OF THE INTERNATIONAL LEGAL ORDER. ON AUG. 10 THE COMITE REJECTED, 5-6-5, A PROPOSAL WHICH WOULD HAVE RECOMMENDED THAT ALL 18 OF ITS MEMBERS BE REPRESENTED AT THE 1978 WORLD CONFERENCE TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION.

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5. PUERTO RICO AND COMMITTEE OF 24 --

USUN HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH FRIENDLY DELEGATIONS REGARDING WAYS OF COPING WITH PUERTO RICAN QUESTION IN THE COMMITTEE OF 24, INCLUDING STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 2558)

6. WESTERN FIVE TALKS WITH SWAPO --
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WESTERN FIVE AND SWAPO MET TWICE AUG. 10, AND ANOTHER MEETING HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR THE MORNING OF AUG. 11 TO PRODUCE AN AGREED SUMMARY OF THE PRINCIPAL POINTS OF THE DISCUSSION. TO ASSIST SWAPO IN CONCEPTUALIZING A TRANSITIONAL SCENARIO, AND TO EMPHASIZE THE VARIOUS CONTROLS OVER SOUTH AFRICAN MILITARY ACTIVITY ENVISAGED BY THE WESTERN FIVE, THE LATTER DREW UP AN ILLUSTRATIVE AND STRICTLY UNOFFICIAL TIMETABLE OF STEPS TO BE TAKEN.

AS EXPECTED, SWAPO PRESIDENT NUJOMA REFRAINED

FROM ANY OVERALL ENDORSEMENT OR REJECTION OF THE TIMETABLE. HE SAID IT CONTAINED ELEMENTS WITH WHICH SWAPO COULD AGREE AND OTHERS WITH WHICH IT DISAGREED. HE SUGGESTED CERTAIN ALTERATIONS, INCLUDING ACCELERATED DEPARTURE OF SOUTH AFRICAN TROOPS. SWAPO VOICED STRONG CONCERN ABOUT FORMATION AND TRAINING BY SOUTH AFRICAN MILITARY OF INDIGENOUS ARMIES FOR VARIOUS ETHNIC GROUPS IN NAMIBIA, AND WAS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN EFFECTIVENESS OF A POSSIBLE UN PEACEKEEPING FORCE. NUJOMA CONTINUED TO INSIST THAT ALL SOUTH AFRICAN TROOPS MUST BE WITHDRAWN BEFORE THE ELECTORAL CAMPAIGN BEGINS, SAW NO NEED FOR TWO ELECTIONS, AND REITERATED TENTATIVE ACCEPTANCE OF A SOUTH AFRICAN ADMINISTRATOR GENERAL, SUBJECT TO EFFECTIVE SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF THE UN SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE. HE ALSO REITERATED THAT AN INDEPENDENT PANEL OF JURISTS WAS UNACCEPTABLE AND WANTED ANY QUESTION OF PRISONERS' STATUS TO BE DECIDED BY THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE, WITH NO INSTITUTIONAL INVOLVEMENT OF SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONALS. SPEAKING BITTERLY, SWAPO ASSERTED THAT SAG IS PROVIDING TURNHALLE WITH MONEY, VEHICLES, OTHER MATERIAL ASSISTANCE, AND PUBLICITY BY

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MEANS OF GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED RAIDO ESPECIALLY HELP GIVEN TO DIRK MUDGE AND OTHERS IN THEIR DE FACTO ELECTIONEERING.

FRG AMB VON WECHMAR SAID THE UN MUST START CONTINGENCY PLANNING SOON IN ORDER TO AVOID DELAYS IN IMPLEMENTING AN AGREEMENT, AND HE URGED NUJOMA TO TRY TO ENLIST SYG WALDHEIM'S SUPPORT FOR SUCH PLANNING. NUJOMA TOOK CAUTIOUS POSITION THAT SWAPO WAS NOT ABLE AT THIS TIME TO APPROACH THE SYG; HOWEVER, HE AGREED THAT HE COULD TAKE A POSITIVE LINE ON UN CONTINGENCY PLANNING IF THE SYG APPROACHED HUM UNDER THE AEGIS OF SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUPION 385. HE AGREED TO SC ACTION, CEASEFIRE AND CONFINEMENT OF TROOPS TO BASES, AND FIRST PHASES OF SOUTH AFRICAN TROOP WITHDRAWAL, SUBJECT IN LATER CASES TO ASSURANCES ON VERIFICATION. AT CONCLUSION OF SWAPO'S PRESENTATION, AMB MCHENRY SAID HIS IMPRESSION WAS THAT SOME OF SWAPO'S IDEAS WOULD BE RESISTED BY SAG AND MAKE OVERALL SOUTH AFRICAN AGREEMENT THAT MUCH HARDER TO OBTAIN.

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